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Town Officers

Moderator
HARRY M. PRESCOTT

Clerk
LESLIE W. KNOWLES

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
DELMONT C. WESTON RODNEY J. LEIGHTON
ERVIN T. GREEN

Treasurer
SUMNER L. HART

School Committee
RALPH V. WESTON MAGGIE MERRILL
EVILINA KNOWLES

Superintendent of Schools
C. L. SIDELINGER

Fence Viewers
C. A. LEIGHTON IRVING PREBLE

Surveyors of Lumber
DELMONT C. WESTON LESLIE W. KNOWLES

Hearse Driver
ELWOOD I. WESTON

Ballot Clerks
NETTIE M. GREEN R L. MAUDE PATTERSON D
HARRY M. PRESCOTT R CONEY E. PACKARD D

Road Commissioner
C. A. LEIGHTON

Fire Warden
CONEY E. PACKARD

Mothers' Aid
ANNIE B. WESTON AFFIE M. KNOWLES
MAGGIE MERRILL

Surveyor of Wood and Bark
W. L. EARLY

Sealer of Weights and Measures
FRED M. HESCOCK

Sexton
SUMNER L. HART

Constables
SUMNER L. HART LESLIE E. WHARFF

Dog Constable
ARTHUR E. BESSEY

Health Officer
W. L. EARLY

Board of Health
EUSTACE JUDKINS NETTIE GREEN

Pound Keeper
SUMNER L. HART

Tax Collector
SUMNER L. HART

Attendance Officer
SUMNER L. HART

Field Driver
A. M. LEIGHTON

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens
C. A. LEIGHTON ROSCOE GERRY

Town Warrant

Piscataquis, ss.

To Sumner L. Hart, a constable in the Town of Willimantic, County of Piscataquis and State of Maine,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Willimantic, qualified by law to vote in town affairs to meet at Town hall in said Town on the 19th day of March, 1934 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year and see if the town will accept all town reports.

Art. 3. To choose three or more selectmen.

Art. 4. To choose three or more assessors.

Art. 5. To choose three or more overseers of the poor.

Art. 6. To choose a town treasurer.

Art. 7. To choose one or more school committee.

Art. 8. To choose one of more fire wards, fix their compensations and raise a sum of money for same.

Art. 9. To choose a road commissioner for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a collector of taxes for the ensuing year, fix his compensation, and raise a sum of money therefor.

Art. 11. To choose an auditor of town books for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see if the town will elect one member of the municipal board of mothers' aid for a term of three years.

Art. 13. To choose all other town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, and the poor, repairs of roads and bridges, and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the poor.

Art. 16. To see how much money the town will raise for summer roads and bridges.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to transfer the money raised for plowing snow roads at the annual town meeting 1932, to be used to pay for plowing snow roads in winter of 1933 and 1934.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to pay the balance due on the contract for plowing roads winter of 1933 and 1934 and how much?

Art. 19. To see what action the town will take in regards to plowing the snow roads season of 1934 and 1935.

Art. 20. To see how much money the town will raise for winter roads and snow fences.

Art. 21. To see how much money the town will raise for town charges.

Art. 22. To see how many weeks of school the town will vote to have for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of schools.

Art. 24. To see how much money the town will raise for insurance on school houses.

Art. 25. To see how much money the town will raise for textbooks.

Art. 26. To see how much money the town will raise for school repairs.

Art. 27. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for school supplies.

Art. 28. To see how much money the town will raise for free high schools.

Art. 29. To see how much money the town will raise for the salary of superintendent of schools.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to pay their school committee the same as last year and out of town charges.

Art. 31. To see how much money the town will raise for Memorial Day services and flags.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to replenish the jury box.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote "Yes" or "No" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in section 20 of chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes of 1930.

Art. 34. To see what sum, if any, the town will vote to raise in accordance with provisions of section 26 to 34 inclusive of chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes for the construction of State Aid road, to be in continuation of road work in year 1933.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the town will raise for cutting bushes on State Aid and Third Class roads, under chapter 145 P. L. year 1929.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for road patrol maintenance and how much for the ensuing year.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the town will raise for maintenance of the Third Class Roads under chapter 124 P. L. 1927.

Art. 38. To see how much money the town will vote to raise to pay on the Goodell Bridge order at the Guilford Trust Company.

Art. 39. To see how much money the town will vote to raise to pay on the Early Bridge order at the Guilford Trust Company.

Art. 40. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for abatements.

Art. 41. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the services of a county nurse.

Art. 42. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine.

Art. 43. To see if the town will vote to instruct the municipal officers to hire money, if they deem necessary, to pay orders with until the taxes are paid for the ensuing year.

Art. 44. To see what action the town will vote to take towards authorizing the treasurer and tax collector to refuse payment, part or whole, on orders presented by persons indebted to the town.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to execute and deliver, release deeds, or other, and transact all other business for, and pertaining to the town's interest in lands, buildings and other estate, personal and real, taken in by the town for unpaid taxes.

Art. 46. To see if the town will vote to authorize the assessors to rescind any amounts appropriated by the town for State Aid highway construction in excess of the amount required to meet State apportionments.

Art. 47. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on taxes unpaid, set a date, and at what rate thereafter.

Art. 48. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to discontinue winter road work on Elliottsville road north of Alice Harriman place.

Art. 49. To see if the town will vote to make some kind of trade with John McKenney to do winter road work on his road.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at Town hall at nine o'clock in the forenoon on day of said meeting. Given under our hands at Willimantic this first day of March, year of 1934 A. D.

DELMONT C. WESTON,
RODNEY J. LEIGHTON,
ERVIN T. GREEN,

Selectmen of Willimantic.

Assessors' Report

VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF WILLIMANTIC
APRIL 1, 1933

Real estate, resident	$37,613 50	
Real estate, non-resident	79,954 55	
Total real estate		$ 117,568 05
Personal estate, resident	$6,051 00	
Personal estate, non-resident	102 00	
Total amount personal estate		$ 6,153 00
Grand total amount		$ 123,721 05
Total value of land	$85,286 80	
Total value of buildings	32,281 25	

LIVE STOCK

	No.	Av. Val.	Total Val.
Horses	25	$39 20	$ 980 00
Cows	52	21 84	1,136 00
Three-year-olds	22	17 63	388 00
Two-year-olds	30	15 43	463 00
Sheep (over 35 in no.)	35	2 00	70 00
Poultry (over 50 in no.)	92	50	46 00
Total taxable live stock			$ 3,083 00

ALL OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXED

	No.	Total Value
Stock in trade	3	$775 00
Small boats	58	670 00
Logs, ft. B. M.	10M	50 00
Tractors	1	100 00
Musical instruments	5	225 00
Radios	19	300 00
Gas engines	13	350 00
Light plants	4	600 00
		$ 3,070 00
Total all personal property		$ 6,153 00

EXEMPT LIVE STOCK

	No.	Av. Val.	Total Value
One-year-olds	25	$8 44	$211 00
Sheep (to 35 in no.)	126	2 00	252 00
Swine (to 10 in no.)	21	6 23	131 00
Poultry (to 50 in no.)	420	50	210 00
Total value			$ 804 00

TOWN PROPERTY OTHER THAN SCHOOL BUILDINGS

2 road machines	$ 150 00	
Town hall	1,200 00	
Hearse	500 00	
Wheel scraper	35 00	
Snow roller	125 00	
Snow plow	25 00	
Store house	75 00	
Piano	50 00	
2 road plows	80 00	
3 bail scrapers	30 00	
Total		$ 2,270 00

We the undersigned Assessors of the town of Willimantic hereby certify that the following is a true list and inventory, appraisals and valuation of all the polls and estates, personal and real, liable to assessments and taxation, in said town of Willimantic, on the first day of April 1933 A. D.

CASH APPROPRIATIONS

Support of schools	$ 900 00	
Support of poor	1,500 00	
Summer roads and bridges	400 00	
Winter roads and snow fence	150 00	
Town charges	800 00	
Insurance and repairs, on school houses	32 50	
Textbooks	40 00	
School supplies	20 00	
Free high school	250 00	
Salary, Supt. of schools	100 00	
Memorial services and flags	5 00	
State Aid road	128 00	
Cutting bushes on State Aid road	25 00	
Patrol maintenance	345 00	
To Early bridge order	500 00	
Tax abatements	500 00	
Total		$ 5,745 50
County tax		206 58
State tax		1,246 58
Overlay		178 16
		$ 7,376 82

Rate of assessment, .058
Date of assessment, April 25, 1933
No. polls taxed, 67; Amt., $201 00
No. polls not taxed, 13

Delivered to Sumner L. Hart with warrant for $7,376.82.

Number of dogs, 14
Males and spades, 13
Females, 1

Given under our hands at Willimantic this twenty-fifth day of April A. D. 1933.

DELMONT C. WESTON,
RODNEY J. LEIGHTON,
ERVIN T. GREEN,
Assessors of Willimantic.

RECORD OF ABATEMENTS

Walter D. Green, real estate	$	6 96
Alonzo Hunt, poll		3 00
Joseph Kelley, poll		3 00
Marshall Lovejoy, poll		3 00
Clesta Lamont, real estate		18 15
Matilda Chamberlain, real estate		31 34
Coney Packard, personal		1 16
Harry Warren, poll		3 00
Penobscot Development Co.		1,073 50

UNCOLLECTED TAXES, YEAR 1933

Charles Blackman, poll tax	$	3 00
W. L. Earley, personal and real estate		217 62
W. C. Prescott, personal and real estate		27 84
H. M. Prescott, real estate		24 00
B. M. Packard & Son, real estate		393 96
Robert Storer, poll, real and personal estate		13 15
Ernest Turner, real and personal		6 77
Roy E. Litchfield		18 92
Total	$	705 26

Paid Sumner L. Hart, Collector, on tax on land held by the town on tax deed formerly Chester Getchell, $1.24.

DELMONT C. WESTON,
RODNEY J. LEIGHTON,
ERVIN T. GREEN,
Assessors of Willimantic.

Selectmen's Report

EARLEY BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Order at Guilford Trust Co., Mar. 1, 1933		$ 1,615 81
Paid on account		500 00
Balance due at Guilford Trust Co., March 1, 1934		$ 1,115 81

GOODELL BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Orders held at Guilford Trust Co., Mar. 1, 1932		$ 1,355 20
Refund on Arnold bridge	$ 11 86	
Refund on Goodell bridge	267 41	
Paid to Guilford Trust Co.		$ 579 27
Balance due at Guilford Trust Co., Mar. 1, 1934		$ 775 93

CONTRACT TO ERVIN DURIN

For snow plowing, season 1933-1934		$ 675 00
Paid by Silas Perkins and Earl Gray	$150 00	
Paid by D. C. Weston	50 00	
Loaned by D. C. Weston to make payment	25 00	

Paid to Ervin Durin for Feb. 1 payment	$225 00	
Due from state	337 50	
		$ 562 50
To balance account		$ 112 50
Due D. C. Weston on loan		25 00
Town's portion not paid March 1st, 1934		$ 137 50

DOG LICENSES

Received of town clerk	$18 00	
Unexpended March 1, 1933	21 49	
Refund from state	2 37	
		$ 41 86
Expended, paid State Treas.	$18 00	
Unexpended March 1, 1934	23 86	
		$ 41 86

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Raised by town	$5 00	
Overexpended year 1932	25	
		$ 4 75
Paid Leslie W. Knowles		5 00
Overexpended March 1, 1934		$ 25

TOWN CHARGES

Amount raised by town	$800 00	
Excise tax	117 12	
Rent on town hall	27 50	
Cemetery lot	5 00	
		$ 949 62
Overexpended March 1, 1933		144 33
Amount available Mar. 1, 1933		$ 805 29

State treasurer, board and clothing M. Southard	$ 115	92
Loring, Short & Harmon, books and stationery	16	90
Claude D. Cook, trips	34	50
Register Publishing Co., printing reports	36	75
Edward I. Gleser, legal advice	3	00
Nettie Green, cleaning town hall	3	00
Arthur Bessey, telephone calls	10	20
Arthur Bessey, trip to Dover-Foxcroft	3	00
Lionel Merrill, trip to Dover-Foxcroft	1	00
D. C. Weston, trip to Dover-Foxcroft	1	00
John Powers White, legal advice, years 1932-33	73	00
D. C. Weston, car hire on trip	7	00
D. C. Weston, postage	5	00
Registry of Deeds, copies	3	80
J. Seavey Prescott, trip to Bangor	9	00
Mazie O. Campbell, trip to Dover-Foxcroft	2	00
Wilson Valley Grange, fuel and lights	16	00
Percy Leighton, fighting fire at Poverty Mt.	3	92
Guy Leighton, fighting fire at Poverty Mt.	3	92
Clifford A. Leighton, fighting fire at Poverty Mt.	5	60
Leslie W. Knowles, Memorial service and flags	5	00
John Leavitt, fighting fire at Poverty Mt.	4	90
G. E. Dore, M. D., at hearing, B. Packard case	10	00
Marks Printing Company, town books	6	50
Geo. E. Howard Co., ins. on town hall	17	50
Harry Coy, car hire, to Bangor	5	00
R. H. Marsh, M. D., Bruce Packard case	18	00
Walter L. Arnold, fighting fire at Poverty Mt.	4	76
John E. French and Son, int. on orders	4	44
C. W. & H. M. Hayes, legal advice	2	00
Leslie W. Knowles, postage, stationery, etc.	8	75
Sumner L. Hart, books for collector	2	40
Sumner L. Hart, cutting grass in cemetery	12	00
Sumner L. Hart, postage and stationery	6	00
Sumner L. Hart, care of cemetery	3	35

Treasurer of public school fund, int. on note		47 25
Sumner L. Hart, interest on order		6 84
Guilford Trust Co., interest on orders		400 49
	$	~~512 38~~ 919.69

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Sumner L. Hart, collector of taxes	$	209 13
Sumner L. Hart, treasurer		65 00
Sumner L. Hart, constable, posting warrants		8 00
Delmont C. Weston, chairman of selectmen		125 00
Rodney J. Leighton, second selectman		51 65
Ervin T. Green, third selectman		51 65
Nettie Green, ballot clerk and cleaning hall		3 52
Coney Packard, ballot clerk		2 52
Harry Prescott, ballot clerk		2 52
Maude Patterson, ballot clerk		2 52
Arthur Bessey, dog constable		9 50
Leslie W. Knowles, clerk, year 1933-34		12 92
Fred M. Hescock, sealer of weights and measures		5 00
Coney Packard, fire warden		1 00
Ralph V. Weston, chairman of school com.		10 00
Evilina Knowles, member school com.		5 00
Maggie Merrill, member school com.		5 00
W. L. Earley, quarantining dogs		10 00
	$	579 93
Incidental account	$	919 69
Town Officers' bills		579 93
Total expended	$	1,499 62
Overexpended	$	694 33

OUTSTANDING BILLS

School fund, town of Willimantic	$	787 50
Guilford Trust Co., town orders		3,775 93

Outstanding orders, 3rd Class road, held by Sumner L. Hart		112 75
Other orders, not paid		60 31
Totals outstanding		$ 4,736 49

RESOURCES

Cash on hand	$400 78	
Due from porcupines	92 75	
Due town on unpaid taxes	705 26	
Due town on tax deeds	86 92	
		$ 1,285 71

DELMONT C. WESTON,
RODNEY J. LEIGHTON,
ERVIN T. GREEN,

Selectmen of Willimantic.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Amount raised by town	$1,500 00	
Received from town of Belgrade	179 24	
		$ 1,679 24
Overexpended March 1, 1933		919 24
Amount available for 1933		$ 760 00
Alonzo Hunt family:		
Douglass Store, groceries	$16 54	
Sumner L. Hart, groceries and clothing	35 25	
M. E. Merrill, groceries and clothing	71 92	
Seavey Prescott, wood	2 00	
Percy Leighton, trip to Guilford	1 50	
Florence Preble, wood	2 50	

E. A. Conner, rent	27 00	
I. W. Sears, filing saws	20	
Total year 1933-34		$ 156 91
Mrs. D. Damon:		
R. H. Marsh, M. D.	$30 00	
D. H. Buxton	66	
Sumner L. Hart, sexton	5 00	
S. E. True, board	24 00	
Total year 1933-34		$ 59 66
Frank Damon family:		
City of Brewer		$ 203 00
Clyde Leighton family:		
Herbert King, wood	$ 2 50	
Town of Guilford	31 51	
		$ 34 01
Hathaway family:		
D. T. Sanders and Son, groceries, clothing and rent	$297 54	
Charles A. Dean hospital	55 50	
Norman H. Nickerson, M. D.	50 00	
Greenville Water Company	13 00	
Great Northern Paper Co., wood	6 75	
Lawrence Rowe, trucking	8 10	
Total years 1933 and 1934		$ 430 89
Lovejoy family:		
Douglass Store, groceries and clothing	$24 64	
Sumner L. Hart, groceries and clothing	19 74	
M. E. Merrill, groceries and clothing	18 15	
Total year 1933-34		$ 62 53

Mrs. Matilda Chamberlain:		
B. M. Packard & Son., groceries	$ 2 75	
Sumner L. Hart, groceries	6 17	
Charles A. Frost, groceries	49 00	
L. G. Patterson, hauling wood etc.	7 00	
Louise Fifield, groceries	1 68	
Total year 1933-34		$ 66 60
Total expended Mar. 1, 1933 to Mar. 1, 1934		$ 1,013 60
Overexpended Mar. 1, 1934		$ 253 60

DELMONT C. WESTON,
RODNEY J. LEIGHTON,
ERVIN T. GREEN,

Overseers of the Poor.

Report of Road Commissioner

Amount raised by town	$400 00	
Overexpended, 1932	243 60	
	$156 40	
Overexpended, 1933	49 72	
		$ 206 12

EXPENDED ON ROADS AND BRIDGES

Transferred to 50-50 account	$49 54	
John Scales & Sons, tools	19 60	
W. E. Deane, bridge plank	32 44	
Verd Leighton, gravel	4 20	
C. A. Leighton, labor	24 25	
Adin Green, labor	3 96	
Elwood Weston, labor	4 95	
Guy Leighton, labor	3 24	
Ivan Leighton, labor	5 94	
A. M. Leighton, labor	18 36	
Lynwood Leighton, labor	10 13	
Verd Leighton, labor	3 96	
Harry Preble, labor	4 00	
Albert Turner, labor	4 00	
Percy Leighton, labor	2 25	
Delmont Weston, labor	3 00	
John Leavitt, labor	2 52	
Irving Preble, labor	3 78	
D. C. Weston, plank	6 00	
		$ 206 12

50-50 ACCOUNT

Transferred from town road money		
Received from State	$49 00	
Transferred from town money	49 54	
		$ 98 54
H. S. Goodell, gravel	$ 9 90	
C. A. Leighton, labor	29 69	
Verd Leighton, labor	5 94	
Guy Leighton, labor	9 90	
A. M. Leighton, labor	12 24	
Ivan Leighton, labor	3 96	
Claude Cook, labor	3 96	
Merl Hill, labor	3 96	
P. W. Merrill, labor	2 97	
David Preble, labor	2 97	
Albert Turner, labor	2 97	
Irving Preble, labor	1 98	
Lynwood Leighton, labor	8 10	
		$ 98 54

THIRD CLASS ROAD

Overexpended year 1932		$ 123 11
Work in 1933:		
Payrolls	$337 65	
Materials	48 80	
		$ 509 56
Received from State		276 00
Overexpended		$ 233 56
Overpaid on orders		5 04
		$ 238 60

ROAD PATROL MAINTENANCE

Raised by town		$ 345 00
Paid State Treasurer	$341 10	
Overexpended, 1932	2 90	
		$ 344 00
Unexpended, Mar. 1, 1934		$ 1 00

WINTER ROADS

Amount raised by town	$150 00	
Unexpended, 1932	45 54	
		$ 195 54
		115 77
		$ 311 31

SPRING OF 1933

C. A. Leighton, rolling	$27 50	
L. G. Patterson, rolling	27 50	
S. A. Anderson, rolling	12 50	
		$ 67 50

WINTER 1933-1934

C. A. Leighton, rolling	$24 75	
L. G. Patterson, rolling	67 50	
S. A. Anderson, rolling	67 50	
Arthur Bessey, snow work	16 20	
C. A. Leighton, snow work	45 50	
Merl Hill, snow work	22 36	
		$ 243 81
		$ 311 31

STATE AID ROAD ACCOUNT

Joint Fund for State Aid Road

Materials for State Aid No. 1	$ 246 44	
Total amount of payrolls	1,029 64	
		$ 1,276 08
Materials for State Aid No. 4	$ 159 00	
Total amount of payrolls	1,036 42	
		$ 1,195 42

SPECIAL ROAD MONEY

Received from State		$ 700 00
Paid for materials	$ 57 45	
Total payrolls	633 22	
Unexpended	9 33	
		$ 700 00
Overpaid on orders		15 86
Overexpended		$ 6 53

CUTTING BUSHES ON STATE AID AND THIRD CLASS ROAD

Raised by town	$25 00	
Overexpended, 1932	20 98	
		$ 4 02
Overexpended, 1933		37 56
		$ 41 58
Clyde Leighton, labor	$10 08	
Guy Leighton, labor	7 56	
Arthur Bessey, labor	2 52	
Claude Cook, labor	2 52	
Charles Frost, labor	3 15	
Ervin Judkins, labor	63	
Albert Turner, labor	7 56	
Rodney Leighton, labor	7 56	
		$ 41 58

CLIFFORD A. LEIGHTON,

Road Commissioner.

Treasurer's Report

Dr.

1933			
Mar. 1	Cash and check acc't	$ 78	06
Apr. 10	State Treas. refund on Arnold Bridge	11	86
May 20	Louise Fifield, lumber		25
June	Town clerk, dog licenses	18	00
July 24	State Treas., 50-50 road	49	00
Aug.	Abatement of Penobscot Development Co. tax for 1932	1,073	50
Aug.	Penobscot Development Co., tax, 1932	4,456	64
Aug. 10	State Treas., porcupine bounty	90	75
Sept.	Ida B. Leighton, cemetery lot	5	00
Sept. 9	W. L. Early, part payment on tax, 1932	86	49
	Town of Belgrade, pauper account	179	24
Dec. 20	State Treas., refund on Goodell Bridge	267	41
1934			
Jan. 11	State Treas., dog license refund	2	37

	State Treas., State School Fund	921 19	
	State Treas., State Aid road	2,109 75	
Jan. 20	State Treas., Special State Aid road	700 00	
Feb.	Gray & Perkins for snow plowing	150 00	
	Delmont C. Weston, snow plowing	75 00	
	Rent of Town Hall, 1933	27 50	
	Automobile excise tax	117 12	
Feb. 26	State Treas., 3rd Class road	276 00	
	Int. on Public School Fund	53 13	
	Int. on Cemetery Fund	3 35	
	Taxes, year 1933	6,643 57	
			$ 17,395 18

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June 13	State Treas, dog license	$ 18 00	
July 29	County tax, part	78 00	
Oct. 20	County tax, balance	128 58	
1934			
Jan. 11	State Treas., State tax	1,246 58	
Jan. 11	State Treas., State road maintenance	341 10	
	Hart Bros., int.	6 84	
	Guilford Trust Co.	400 49	
	Paid order	14,774 81	
	Cash and check acc't to balance	400 78	
			$ 17,395 18

SUMNER L. HART,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUST FUND 1933

	Amt. fund	Int.	Exp.
Ann Hathaway	$50 00	$1 67	$1 67
Mr. A. D. Stilson	25 00	84	84
Florence M. Jackson	25 00	84	84
Alice J. Norton	25 00	81	81

SUMNER L. HART, Treasurer.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND

March 1, 1933		
Town of Willimantic	$787 50	
Verdell A. Leighton	75 00	
Deposit in Trust Co.	328 43	
State Trust Co.	455 15	
		$ 1,646 08

Interest Collected March 1, 1933 to March 1, 1934

Town of Willimantic	$47 25	
Verdell A. Leighton	5 88	
		$ 53 13
Transferred to Common School Fund		$ 53 13

We got no interest from State Trust Co., part year. On Jan. 1, we received one dividend amount to $303,43; of $455.15 left how much we will get in time your guess is as good as mine.

SUMNER L. HART, Treasurer.

Report of Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN WILLIMANTIC DURING MUNICIPAL YEAR 1933

Sept. 2 James S. Tucker of Westfield, N. J., and Opal O. Merrill of Willimantic, married in Willimantic by Rev. James Renfrew.

Sept. 25 Ralph V. Weston of Willimantic and Vera A. Rose of Guilford, married at Guilford by Rev. E. Heywood.

Oct. 13 George H. Thompson of Dover-Foxcroft and Grace E. Titcomb of Willimantic, married in Dover-Foxcroft by Rev. Herbert R. Kingston.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN WILLIMANTIC DURING MUNICIPAL YEAR 1933

Aug. 31 Alphonzo M. Leighton aged 73 yrs., 10 mos., 12 das. of Myocarditis break in compensation, reported by H. R. Patterson, D. O.

July 15 William Henry Kimball, aged 73 yrs., 5 mos., 25 das., of Arterio Sclerosis, reported by Dr. Fred L. Varney.

Nov. 3 Roscoe E. Gerry, aged 55 yrs., 1 mo., 28 das., of Peritonitis from perforated duedinal ulcer, reported by Dr. Ivan E. McLaughlin.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN WILLIMANTIC DURING MUNICIPAL YEAR 1933

Feb. 25 Duane Morris Leighton, son, to Rodney J. and Mary G. Leighton.

Mar. 17 Carol Velma Leighton, daughter, to Linwood L. and Ella E. Leighton.

Nov. 16 Mary Jane Leavitt and Marilyn Ann Leavitt, daughters, to John L. and Helen L. Leavitt.

Dec. 23 Ansel Lee Preble, son, to Irving G. and Evangeline S. Preble.

DOG LICENSES

13 dogs, $1.00 each	$13 00	
1 female, $5.00 each	5 00	
Total		$ 18 00

LESLIE W. KNOWLES, Town Clerk.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and Citzens of Willimantic:

I submit herewith my annual report as your superintendent of schools. In a system of education like ours the schools essentially belong to the citizens in each municipality. Every citizen should have personal knowledge regarding the situation in the public schools and I assume that every one welcomes suggestions as to means for maintaining public support for the educational activities in his community. In this report I shall mention briefly conditions relating to schools together with suggestions as to needs of the schools in your town.

This year the average of the school rates for the state is .01087 while the average of the municipal rates is .048. The school rate for the town of Willimantic is .00791 while the municipal rate is .058. These figures show that 22.7% of the money raised by the state is used for maintaining public schools. In the town of Willimantic 13.6 per cent of the money you raised last March was to be used for school purposes. These percentages pertain to the funds raised by the town and not to the expenditures. These rates also show that the school rate for the town of Willimantic

is 27% below the average of the school rates for the state while the municipal rate for the town is 20% above the average of the municipal rates for the state. The school rate for the town for this year is about 30% below the school rate for last year. This, of course, is due to the rather large reductions made in your school appropriations last spring.

SCHOOL PROGRESS

This school year opened in September with the same teachers assigned to the three schools. The school enrollment for this year is only thirty-five which is a little lower than the enrollment for last year. There is an advantage in retaining the same teachers in that we can start the new school year with teachers who are acquainted with the pupils and familiar with the program of the schools. I find that the schools of the town are being maintained at a reasonable standard of efficiency. Many of the boys and girls who go from the schools of the town to some high or secondary school attain excellent rank in the school.

Some changes have been made in textbooks during the year and it is the plan to continue making changes in textbooks during the coming school year. These changes in textbooks seem necessary in order to have books that conform better to the present state course of study. Last September we started a new method of reading, called the New Path to Reading. This method seems to present an easier approach to reading than the method we have been using. This new method was started in all of the schools in this union and the results so far have been very satisfactory. I think the program we plan for the schools is being carried forward very satisfactory. Much can yet be done to better school conditions, but plans for improvements will depend largely upon funds we can have for material and equipment.

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

There are eleven pupils from the town now attending some high or secondary school and whose tuitions are being paid by the town. Very likely the number to attend for next year will be as large if not larger. About five hundred dollars will be required for tuition needs before any funds will be received from the state. There is just a small sum now unexpended. It seems that quite a large sum should be raised at this meeting for high school tuitions. Provision should be made so that all tuition bills can be paid promptly.

SCHOOL FUNDS

In making up the Financial Statements for the year just closing I find that the amounts being carried forward to the ensuing year are much smaller than the amounts ws usually carry forward. You know that much smaller appropriations were made last spring for the different school purposes. In view of the fact that there has been a distinct betterment in the business situation since last spring it does not seem that we can reasonably expect that any further reductions can be made in school expenditures or that it will be possible to consider any further reductions in appropriations for school purposes. Wages are being advanced in many lines of endeavor. The matter of raising the wages depends upon appropriations made by the voters of the town. In making estimates as to costs for school needs for the ensuing year it is only fair that they be made with the idea that we must plan for some increases in school expenditures.

The cost of many things we need for the schools has advanced since last spring. The prices of textbooks change very little. Hence we may expect that the cost of textbooks will remain about the same. At least I do not look for any immediate advance in the price of

textbooks. The cost of school supplies, especially most all kinds of paper, has advanced at least one fourth. As it does not seem possible to cut down on the quantity needed, it will be necessary to raise more money for school supplies in order to meet any increase in the cost.

INSURANCE AND REPAIRS

The insurance policy for the No. 3 school house was renewed during the year. Sometime this coming year the policies on the other two school houses must be renewed. You will find an adequate sum recommended for insurance, unless you wish to increase the amount of insurance on these two buildings.

Only a small sum was used during the year for repairs about the school buildings. Most of the sum expended was for paint and labor painting woodwork in the schoolroom of the No. 2 building. I think you should raise money so that we may plan to fix, during the coming summer, the shed at the No. 3 school building. Although we have tried to fix this twice without good results, I think we should make one more try at it. The matter as to what you will plan to do at the No. 2 school building is one for you to decide at the time of your town meeting. A small sum is needed each year for general repairs and fixtures. It is very doubtful if the small sum now available will be all that will be needed during the year.

SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1934-1935

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Estimate as to expenditures:

Teachers' wages	$1,620 00	
Fuel for schools	140 00	
Janitor services	140 00	
		$ 1,900 00

Estimate as to resources:		
State school funds	$430 00	
Interest	70 00	
		$ 500 00

Appropriations needed:	
Elementary school account	$ 1,400 00
High school account	400 00
Free textbook account	60 00
School supply account	60 00
School repairs account	60 00
School insurance account	56 25
Superintendent of schools	110 00

Under the heading of Financial Statements may be found detailed information as to funds raised by the town for school purposes, the amount received from the state, and the expenditures that have been made during the year.

In closing, I wish to thank the officials and citizens of the town as well as the teachers and pupils for their helpful cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. SIDELINGER,

February 27, 1934. Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 1933-1934

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended 1932	$547 03	
Raised by town	950 00	
State school funds	434 52	
Interest	53 13	
		$ 1,984 68

Expenditures

Teachers' wages:		
Arlene M. Merrill	$504 00	
Hazel P. Warren	488 00	
Kathleen M. Earley	504 00	
	$	1,496 00
School fuel:		
E. T. Green	$23 00	
P. W. Merrill	20 62	
Bruce Packard	4 37	
Rexford Turner	4 00	
L. L. Merrill	5 00	
Ralph Weston	5 00	
	$	61 99
Janitor services:		
School janitors	$98 25	
Cleaning school buildings	18 90	
Janitor supplies	13 60	
	$	130 75
Unexpended 1933		295 94
	$	1,984 68

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended 1932	$161 56	
Raised by town	250 00	
State school funds	486 67	
	$	898 23

Expenditures

Higgins Classical Institute:		
Willard Earley	$100 00	
Philip Earley	40 00	
	$	140 00

Monson Academy:		
Phyllis Leighton	$60 00	
Maxine Leighton	90 00	
	$	150 00
Town of Guilford:		
Paul Patterson	$75 00	
Neil Patterson	75 00	
Marguerite Packard	75 00	
Irene Merrill	45 00	
Kathryn Knowles	75 00	
Evelyn Leighton	75 00	
Elwin Leighton	30 00	
Maud Prescott	30 00	
	$	480 00
Town of Buckfield:		
Irene Merrill		25 00
Unexpended 1933		103 23
	$	898 23

FREE TEXTBOOK ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended 1932	$18 03	
Raised by town	40 00	
Overdraft 1933	3 26	
	$	61 29

Expenditures

Ginn and Company	$38 50	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	18 37	
American Book Company	4 42	
	$	61 29

SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended 1932	$18 00	
Raised by town	20 00	
	$	38 00

Expenditures

C. L. Sidelinger	$ 8 80	
W. D. Gilpatric	20 69	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	7 80	
Unexpended 1933	71	
		$ 38 00

SCHOOL REPAIRS ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended 1932		$ 92 20

Expenditures

C. L. Sidelinger	$14 75	
G. P. Pullen	18 12	
Unexpended 1933	59 33	
		$ 92 20

SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

Receipts

Raised by town	$100 00	
Overdraft 1933	5 50	
		$ 105 50

Expenditures

C. L. Sidelinger, as salary		$ 105 50

SCHOOL INSURANCE

Unexpended year 1931	$ 25	
Raised March 1933	32 50	
		$ 32 75
Paid Geo. E. Howard & Co.		37 50
Overexpended March 1934		$ 4 75

A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.